

# Alaska Local and Regional Information

## Workforce Info

### Petersburg Census Area



The Petersburg Census Area is located south of Juneau. It includes the communities of Petersburg, Kupreanof, Kake and Port Alexander. Seafood harvesting and processing occupy a central economic role throughout the area. Petersburg has seen increases in tourist related industries such as fishing lodges, and charter boat operations.

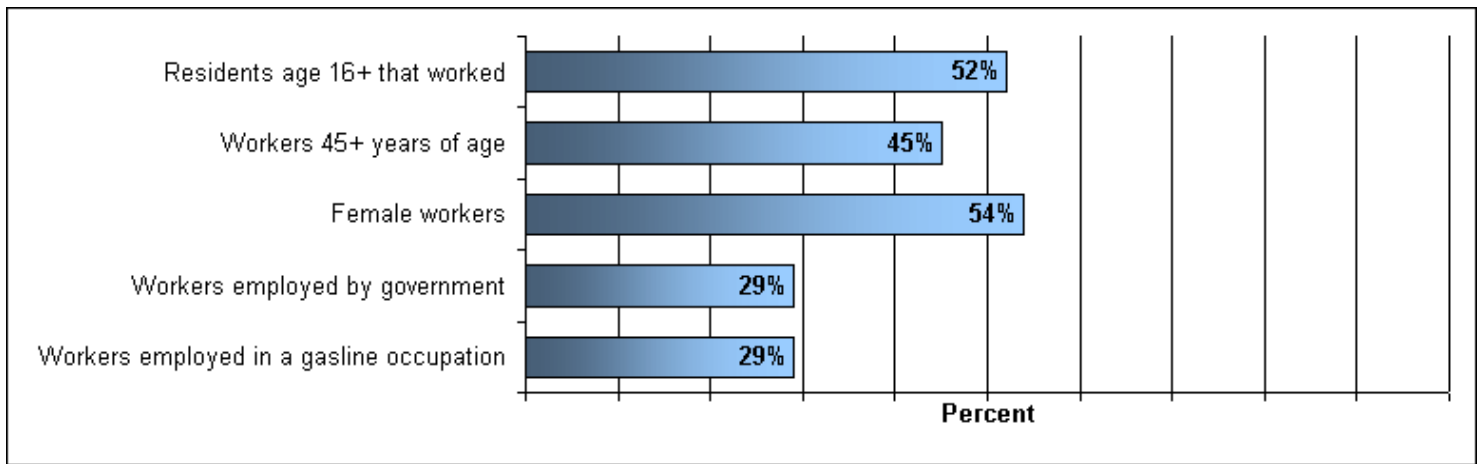
- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 3,847, a loss of about 413 since the 2000 Census.
- ◆ About 52 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Local Government was the main industry in 2008, employing 24 percent of the area's workers.
- ◆ More workers were employed as Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers than any other occupation.

Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Petersburg Census Area Resident Snapshot (2008)			
Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	2,976	Total wages	\$37,824,191
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	1,535	Private	1,083
Male	708	State government	84
Female	827	Local government	368
Age 45+	696	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	507	Peak (2nd) quarter workers	1,319
		Percent working all 4 quarters	62.8%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	327	Some construction	266
		At least 1 year construction	113
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	61
New hires	532	Worked in an <b>AGIA</b> occupation	1,030

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## 2008 Residents

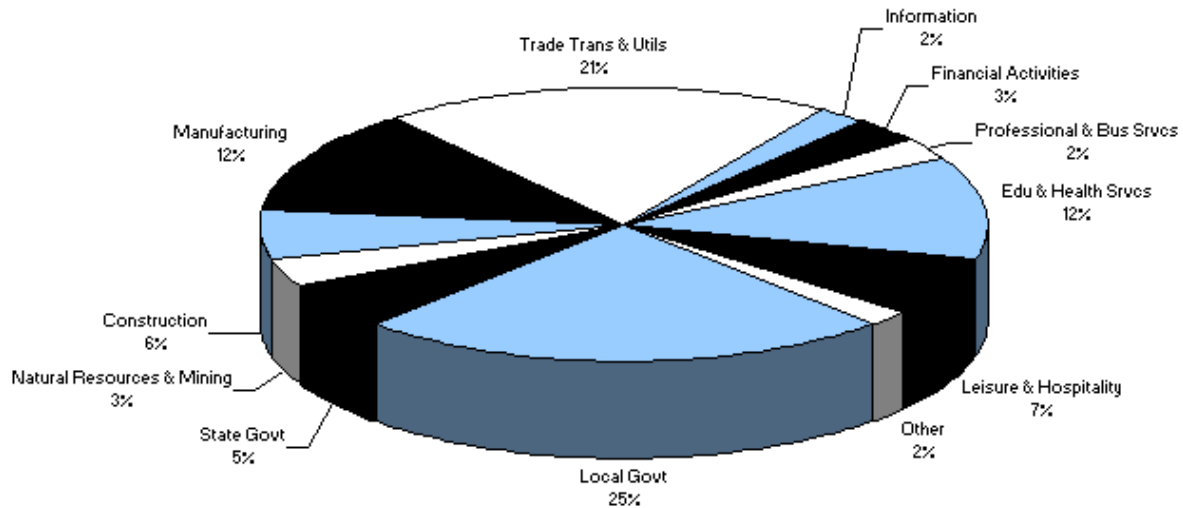


## Top Occupations

	Those Who <b>Live</b> in the Borough/Census Area (2008)			Those Who <b>Work</b> in the Borough/Census Area (2007)	
	Number employed	Percent female	Age 50+	% Non-local	% Non-Alaska Residents
Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	102	33.3%	23	n/a	n/a
Retail Salespersons	80	80.0%	22	n/a	n/a
Teacher Assistants	56	83.9%	20	n/a	n/a
Construction Laborers <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	44	15.9%	14	n/a	n/a
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, and Attendants	44	90.9%	16	n/a	n/a
Office Clerks, General <b>AGIA</b>	42	83.3%	19	n/a	n/a
Cashiers	31	93.5%	10	n/a	n/a
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	30	86.7%	10	n/a	n/a
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners <b>AGIA</b>	25	100.0%	4	n/a	n/a
Registered Nurses <b>HOT JOB</b>	24	100.0%	9	n/a	n/a
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners <b>AGIA</b>	23	69.6%	9	n/a	n/a
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	23	82.6%	3	n/a	n/a
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other <b>AGIA</b>	22	72.7%	6	n/a	n/a
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	21	57.1%	11	n/a	n/a
Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	19	0.0%	6	n/a	n/a
Sailors and Marine Oilers	18	16.7%	3	n/a	n/a
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education <b>HOT JOB</b>	17	70.6%	7	n/a	n/a
Reservation and Transportation Ticket Agents and Travel Clerks	17	64.7%	5	n/a	n/a
General and Operations Managers	17	41.2%	7	n/a	n/a
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators <b>AGIA HOT JOB</b>	16	0.0%	8	n/a	n/a
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	16	75.0%	1	n/a	n/a

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## Resident Workers by Industry



### Workers by Industry

	Those Who <b>Live</b> in the Borough/Census Area (2008)			Those Who <b>Work</b> in the Borough/Census Area (2007)	
	Number employed	Percent female	Age 50+	% Non-local	% Non-Alaska Residents
Natural Resources and Mining	52	11.5%	7	n/a	n/a
Construction	89	15.7%	33	n/a	n/a
Manufacturing	190	38.9%	60	n/a	n/a
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	307	58.3%	93	n/a	n/a
Information	37	48.6%	8	n/a	n/a
Financial Activities	46	60.9%	10	n/a	n/a
Professional and Business Services	38	23.7%	14	n/a	n/a
Educational and Health Services	188	89.4%	75	n/a	n/a
Leisure and Hospitality	106	67.0%	20	n/a	n/a
State Government	84	39.3%	43	n/a	n/a
Local Government	368	55.4%	137	n/a	n/a
Other	30	76.7%	7	n/a	n/a

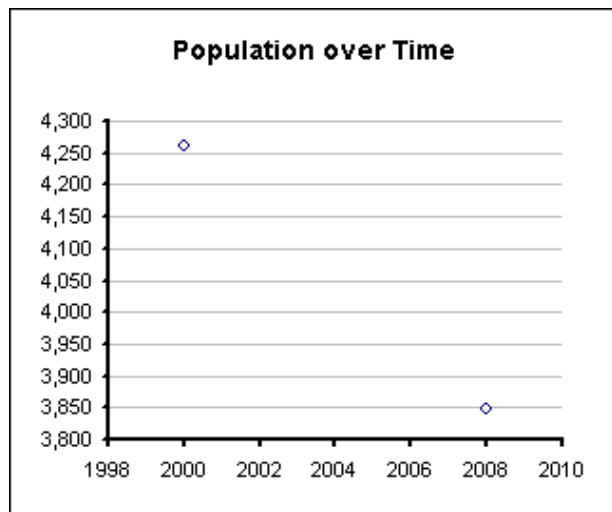
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Recent Unemployment Statistics				
	03/2009	04/2009	05/2009	06/2009
UI Claimants**	174	158	144	116
Unemployment Rate (Not seasonally adjusted)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

\*\*UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

## Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

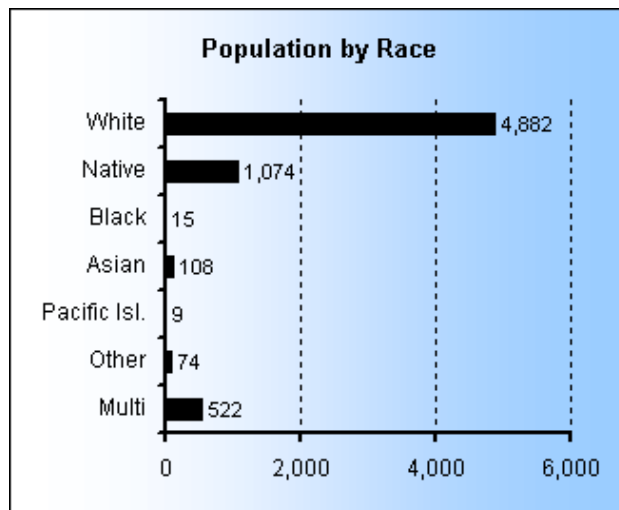
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Petersburg School District
Petersburg City of
Petersburg Medical Center
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Hammer & Wikan Inc
Kake City School District
Trading Union Inc The
City of Kake
Kake Organized Village Of



Note: The Wrangell City and Borough incorporated in 2008, which broke up the Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area. Therefore, a population time series is not available for the Petersburg Census Area.

## 2000 Census\*\*

Median Age	37.2
Average Family Size	3.1
Average Household Size	2.6
Per Capita Income	\$23,494
Median Family Income	\$54,046
Median Household Income	\$46,434



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

**\*\*The geography has changed since the 2000 census. 2000 census data include Wrangell in this census area. For more information, see the [FAQ](#).**